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FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 30th June 2025

S.R.O. No. 508/2025—Whereas, Forest Block Megha PRF under Section 4 of the Odisha Forest Act,1972, has been notified by Government of Odisha, Revenue Department Notification No. FS-48/79-30602/R, dated the 18th April 1979 indicating an area of 133.00Ac.53.20 ha in Athagarh Forest Range of Athagarh Forest Divisioin as per Annexure-I ;

And whereas, the Government of Odisha in the Forest & Environment Department have notified a "Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for geo-referencing of Forest Block boundary through DGPS Survey" in the *Odisha Gazette* vide Notification No. 22572400112016-10F(Cons)-77/2016-14097-F&E, dated the 4th July 2017, for preparation of such geo-referenced forest maps in pursuance of the directives of Hon'ble Supreme Court in their order, dated the 6th July 2011 [in IA Nos. 1868, 2091, 2225—2227, 2380, 2568 and 2937 in Writ Petition (C) No. 202 of 1995-Lafarge matter] ;

And whereas, the Government of Odisha have appointed all Tehsildars in their respective Tehsil jurisdiction in the respective districts as Forest Settlement Officer (FSO) vide Notification No. 7767—10F(TR)-38/2020-F&E, dated the 21st May 2020 ;

And whereas, the Forest Revenue Joint Verification Committee has jointly verified and confirmed the boundary pillar positions as per report in Annexure-II ;

And whereas, the Forest Settlement Officer has certified 'No Change' in the boundary extent of Megha PRF post 25th October 1980. The DGPS survey boundary co-ordinates have been verified by ORSAC and certified by the Forest Settlement Officer. The computed area (UTM Zone 45N projection and WGS 84 datum) of the Megha PRF is 48.813 ha or 120.62Ac. The change in area is due to method of Survey & Area Computation.

Therefore, it has been decided to supplement the existing notification of the Megha PRF with the above-mentioned FSO certified DGPS surveyed Forest Block map as per Annexure-III, and the statement of geo-co-ordinates of the Forest Block boundary pillar positions as per Annexure-IV, which shall be treated as the precise boundary description of the Megha PRF and shall form an integral part of the original notification in place of any other form of boundary description notified earlier.

There shall be no change to the admitted rights in the original notification.

[No. 15805—PT3-FE-DIV-MISC-0011-2016-10F(Cons)-34/2020-FE&CC]

By order of the Governor

SATYABRATA SAHU

Additional Chief Secretary to Government

APPEN

Annexure-I

Government of Orissa,
Revenue Department.

Notification.

Dated, Bhubaneswar the 12th April, 1979.

No.FS-13/79.30602/R., In exercise of the powers conferred under section 4 of the Orissa Forest Act, 1972 (Orissa Act 14 of 1972) the State Government do hereby declare that it has been proposed to constitute as a Reserved Forest the land situated in the district of Cuttack, the limits of which have been demarcated by cairns and line cleared to a width of 15 ft. or natural boundary as specified below:-

Name of the Block:- Megha

Area of the Block:- 133 acres or 53.20 hectares.

Situation of the Block:- The block is situated on the eastern side of Sukasan Reserve Forest.

Boundary of the Block:- North-Cultivated land of Megha village.
South-Sukasan R.F.
East- Megha village.
West- Sukasan R.F.

Description:- The boundary line cleared to a width of 15' xxxx distance from Athpara Megha road.

The line goes in North-east direction at bearing of 48° to B.P. No.2 Ch.12-L.32

Then it goes in North-east direction at a bearing of 49-30 to B.P.No.3 7-92

Then it goes at a beares in North east direction bearing No.46-30 to B.P.No.4 10-00

Then it goes at a beares in North-east direction bearing of 53 to B.P.No.5 6-00

Then it turns to East direction at a bearing of 103-30 to B.P.No.6 8-76

Then it turns to South direction at a bearing of 190 to B.P.No.7 8-91

Then it turns to East direction at a bearing of 10 to South direction at a to B.P.No.9 1.4

Then it turns to South-west direction bearing of 188 B.P.No.10 12.87

Then it turns South direction at a bearing of 222 11 16.52

Then it turns to of 163 to B.P.No. 15-50

Then it goes to South direction at a bearing of 173-30 to B.P.No.12 6-0

Then it goes to South direction at a bearing of 168 to B.P.No.13 15-20

Then it turns to West direction on the Sukasan R.F. line at a bearing of 265 to B.P.No.1 4-50

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	Ch.	Link.
Then it turns to North-west direction on the Sukasan R.F. line at a bearing of 295 to B.P.No.16	3	44
Then it turns to North-west direction on the Sukasan R.F. line at a bearing of 294 to B.P.No.17	7	60
Then it turns to North-west direction on the Sukasan R.F line at a bearing of 293 to B.P.No.18	2	60
Then it turns to North-west direction on the Sukasan R.F line at a bearing of 288 to B.P.No.19	6	30
Then it turns to North direction on the Sukasan R.F line at a bearing of 4 to B.P.No.20	13	00
Then it goes to North direction on the Sukasan R.F line at a bearing of 8 to B.P.No.21	9	95
Then it goes to North direction on the Sukasan R.F line at a bearing of 8 to B.P.No.22	7	05
Then it goes to North direction on the Sukasan R.F. line at a bearing of 356 to B.P.No.23	18	55
Then it turns to South-west direction on the Sukasan R.F line at a bearing of 242 to B.P.No.1	8	50
	216	81 or
	2M-56Ch.-81 Links.	

The entire traverse of the proposed Block is 2 Miles-56 Ch. 81 Links consisting of 23 artificial boundary pillars.

2. In exercise of the powers aforesaid, the State Government do hereby appoint the Forest Settlement Officer, Cuttack to enquire into and determine the existence, nature and extent of any rights or privilages claimed by or alleged to exist in favour of any person in or over the lands comprised within the limits specified above or in or over any forest produce to be found thereon and to deal with the same as provided in ChapterII of the said Act.

By order of the Governor,

B.P.Choudhury,

Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 30603 /R., Dt. 18/4/79

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2. The notification is statutory and may be assigned S.R.O number.

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Under Secretary to Government.

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Memo No. 30604 /R., Dt. 18/4/79

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t/c 18/4/79

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Under Secretary to Government.

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Forest Division: Athgarh **Forest Range:** Athagarh

Minutes of Joint Verification:

List of participation of the Forest-Revenue joint verification committee is given at Table 1.

Joint Verification of the boundary of **Megha PRF** Forest Block was carried out during to . Existing pillar position recorded through GPS were plotted and compared against geo-referenced cadastral maps of adjoining villages. The verified forest boundary map is enclosed at Plate-1. Findings of the verification w.r.t. revenue cadastral is given below:

- Name of notified forest block: Megha PRF
- Notification no. & date: FS-48/79.30602/R Dt. 18-04-1979
- Area as per notification/WP/Register: 133.00 Ac./53.200 Ha.
- Existing no. of boundary demarcations in conformity with adjoining village boundary: 7 nos. (Annexure -1)
- Boundary demarcations (Proposed Pillars) in conformity with adjoining village boundary: 40 nos. (Annexure -2)
- Boundary demarcations (Virtual Pillars) in conformity with adjoining village boundary: 2 nos. (Annexure -4)
- GPS area of verified boundary: 48.756 ha
- GPS perimeter of verified boundary: 5.972 km

Observations:

Notification with detailed boundary description with Chainage & Bearing is enclosed at Appendix-1. Traverse map is not avaiable. Area as per Division record=53.20 ha. The verified boundary area is found to be -4.444 Ha, i.e.-8.35 % less than NFA. Forest boundary demarcation Pillars are in Conformity with Cadastral Map, existing pillars & HRSI. The Change in area may be due to old Survey techniques.Since all peripheral settlements have occurred prior to 1980, there is no implication under FC Act.

FFTGC Portal - Geo-Referencing of Forest Land in Odisha

TABLE - 1

Forest and Revenue department officials(RO/FR/FG/RI/Amin) and TP involved in Joint verification of Forest Boundary

Name	Designation	Signature
Sandhyarani Behera	Revenue Inspector	
Pravat Kumar Rout	DY. RO Athagarh	Forest Range Officer Athagarh, Range
Pramod kumar samapati	Forest Guard	
Krushna Chandra Oram	Forester	

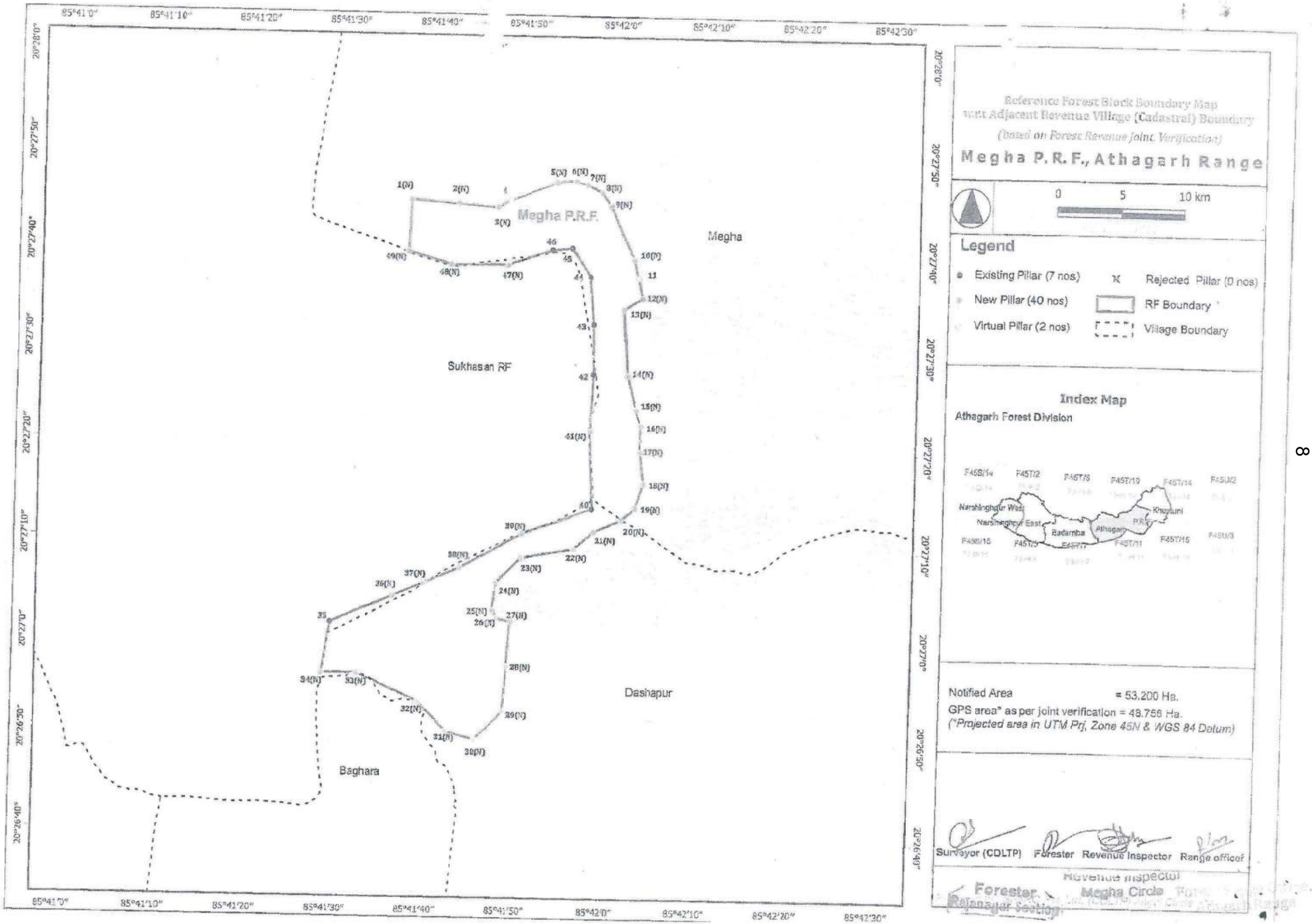
Counter Signed by :

Tahsildar

TAHASILDAR
Athagarh

Divisional Forest Officer
Divisional Forest Officer
Athagarh Division

www.orissaforestlandsurvey.in/Reports/Index/FBDemarcationReport



Reference Forest Block Boundary Map
with Adjacent Revenue Village (Cadastral) Boundary
(based on Forest Revenue Joint Verification)

Megha P.R.F., Athagarh Range

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Legend

- Existing Pillar (7 nos)
- New Pillar (40 nos)
- Virtual Pillar (2 nos)
- Rejected Pillar (0 nos)
- RF Boundary
- Village Boundary

Index Map

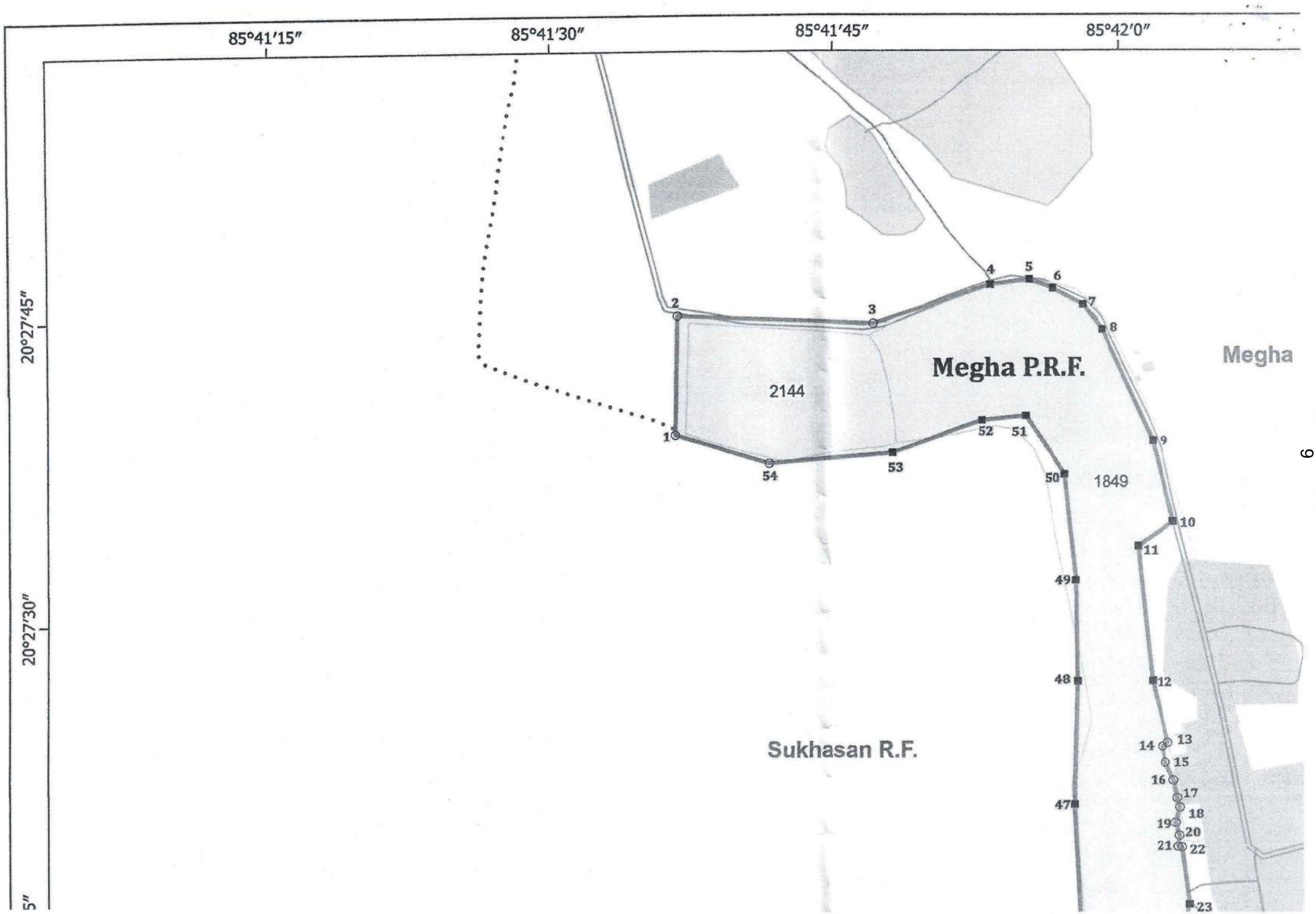
Athagarh Forest Division

Notified Area = 53.200 Ha.
GPS area* as per joint verification = 49.756 Ha.
*(*Projected area in UTM Prj, Zone 45N & WGS 84 Datum)*

Surveyor (CDLTP) Forester Revenue Inspector Range officer

Revenue Inspector
Megha Circle

Forester
Rajanagar Section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Annexure-IV

STATEMENT OF GEO-COORDINATES OF PILLAR POSITIONS

Forest Division: **Athgarh** Forest Range : **Athagarh** Forest Block Name: **Megha PRF**

Ground Control Point (GCP) References. (All coordinates in WGS84 datum & UTM Zone 45N projection)

GCP Type	GCP Location	Latitude(DMS)	Longitude(DMS)	Latitude(DD)	Longitude(DD)
FPCP	Athagarh Range Office	20°31'17.040000"	85°38'14.193600"	20.52140000	85.63727600

Geo-coordinates of Boundary Pillar Position (Total: 54 nos.)

Pillar No	Latitude(DMS)	Longitude(DMS)	Latitude(DD)	Longitude(DD)
1	20°27'39.607848"	85°41'36.653856"	20.46100218	85.69351496
2	20°27'45.467064"	85°41'36.756672"	20.46262974	85.69354352
3	20°27'45.141552"	85°41'47.190120"	20.46253932	85.69644170
4	20°27'47.086704"	85°41'53.351556"	20.46307964	85.69815321
5	20°27'47.353284"	85°41'55.332564"	20.46315369	85.69870349
6	20°27'46.923768"	85°41'56.562252"	20.46303438	85.69904507
7	20°27'46.124280"	85°41'58.170372"	20.46281230	85.69949177
8	20°27'44.880984"	85°41'59.150472"	20.46246694	85.69976402
9	20°27'39.410316"	85°42'1.848636"	20.46094731	85.70051351
10	20°27'35.430300"	85°42'2.940120"	20.45984175	85.70081670
11	20°27'34.205076"	85°42'1.114776"	20.45950141	85.70030966
12	20°27'27.577332"	85°42'1.866564"	20.45766037	85.70051849
13	20°27'24.522300"	85°42'2.674620"	20.45681175	85.70074295
14	20°27'24.338196"	85°42'2.391156"	20.45676061	85.70066421
15	20°27'23.550120"	85°42'2.545344"	20.45654170	85.70070704
16	20°27'22.676364"	85°42'2.982204"	20.45629899	85.70082839
17	20°27'21.811212"	85°42'3.162096"	20.45605867	85.70087836
18	20°27'21.355488"	85°42'3.295728"	20.45593208	85.70091548
19	20°27'20.608524"	85°42'3.097008"	20.45572459	85.70086028
20	20°27'19.974636"	85°42'3.275172"	20.45554851	85.70090977
21	20°27'19.426392"	85°42'3.213504"	20.45539622	85.70089264
22	20°27'19.399500"	85°42'3.408804"	20.45538875	85.70094689
23	20°27'16.580952"	85°42'3.817404"	20.45460582	85.70106039
24	20°27'14.114088"	85°42'3.038832"	20.45392058	85.70084412
25	20°27'12.833388"	85°42'1.567548"	20.45356483	85.70043543
26	20°27'11.730204"	85°41'58.720128"	20.45325839	85.69964448
27	20°27'9.732276"	85°41'56.328000"	20.45270341	85.69898000
28	20°27'8.859132"	85°41'50.761716"	20.45246087	85.69743381
29	20°27'6.112332"	85°41'47.902488"	20.45169787	85.69663958
30	20°27'3.901536"	85°41'47.610276"	20.45108376	85.69655841
31	20°27'3.076992"	85°41'47.318532"	20.45085472	85.69647737
32	20°27'2.306052"	85°41'47.849640"	20.45064057	85.69662490
33	20°27'1.950732"	85°41'49.718796"	20.45054187	85.69714411
34	20°26'57.517332"	85°41'49.460568"	20.44931037	85.69707238
35	20°26'52.971108"	85°41'49.098336"	20.44804753	85.69697176

Pillar No	Latitude(DMS)	Longitude(DMS)	Latitude(DD)	Longitude(DD)
36	20°26'50.019756"	85°41'45.993948"	20.44722771	85.69610943
37	20°26'50.743896"	85°41'42.735912"	20.44742886	85.69520442
38	20°26'53.794284"	85°41'39.664752"	20.44827619	85.69435132
39	20°26'56.570028"	85°41'32.785044"	20.44904723	85.69244029
40	20°26'56.577012"	85°41'28.712220"	20.44904917	85.69130895
41	20°27'1.167336"	85°41'29.663124"	20.45032426	85.69157309
42	20°27'4.653360"	85°41'36.557484"	20.45129260	85.69348819
43	20°27'5.977116"	85°41'39.835212"	20.45166031	85.69439867
44	20°27'7.588512"	85°41'43.822824"	20.45210792	85.69550634
45	20°27'11.265840"	85°41'50.720496"	20.45312940	85.69742236
46	20°27'13.881456"	85°41'58.230960"	20.45385596	85.69950860
47	20°27'21.489048"	85°41'57.776532"	20.45596918	85.69938237
48	20°27'27.536904"	85°41'57.925932"	20.45764914	85.69942387
49	20°27'32.505984"	85°41'57.831936"	20.45902944	85.69939776
50	20°27'37.735380"	85°41'57.215904"	20.46048205	85.69922664
51	20°27'40.629708"	85°41'55.152816"	20.46128603	85.69865356
52	20°27'40.401108"	85°41'52.925964"	20.46122253	85.69803499
53	20°27'38.766168"	85°41'48.254568"	20.46076838	85.69673738
54	20°27'38.203020"	85°41'41.622180"	20.46061195	85.69489505

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